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SUBJ: PAIGC DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

REF: CONAKRY 1527

1. INDEPENDENCE OF GUINEA-BISSAU HEADLINED IN PRESS
HERE. WITHOUT CITING SOURCE LE SOLEIL ARTICLE
BASICALLY FOLLOWS ACCOUNT OF FORMATION OF GOVT
GIVEN REFTEL. PAPER REPORTS, HOWEVER, A SIXTEEN
MEMBER COUNCIL OF STATE, NOT FIFTEEN MEMBER AS CITED
REFTEL, WHOSE PRESIDENT IS LUIS CABRAL AND WHICH CON-
TAINS ONE WOMAN MEMBER, MRS CARMEN PEREIRA. WHETHER
IN ADDITION TO THE COUNCIL OF STATE OR PART OF IT,
THE ASSEMBLY HAS APPROVED A GOVT TO BE LED BY
FRANCISCO MENDES (PRINCIPLE COMMISSAR AND PRIME
MINISTER). MENDES IS ALSO KNOWN AS CHICO. CHICO'S
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CABINET ACCORDING THIS ARTICLE WILL INCLUDE SIX COMMISSARS

OR MINISTERS AND NINE "SOUS-COMMISSARS" FOR A TOTAL OF SIXTEEN. THE NAMES OF FOUR COMMISSARS ARE GIVEN: NINO VIEIRA, REVOLUTIONARY ARMED FORCES; ABDOULAYE BARRY, INTERIOR; VICTOR MARIA, FOREIGN AFFAIRS; VASCO CABRAL, ECONOMY AND FINANCE.

2. LE SOLEIL ALSO NOTES THAT HOMAGE AND THANKS GIVEN BY POPULAR ASSEMBLY TO SOCIALIST COUNTRIES OF EUROPE , SWEDEN, CUBA, GUINEA OMITTING ALGERIA AND SENEGAL. OMISSION OF SENEGAL IN DAKAR PRESS ACCOUNTS WOULD SEEM MAKE CLEAR THAT GOS WAS NOT AMONG THOSE GOVTS PRAISED BY CABRAL IN HIS SPEECH AND ALSO SUGGESTS THAT PAIADPMAY VIEW SENEGALESE AS A DISTINCTLY SECONDARY SOURCE OF HELP, AT LEAST IN COMPARISON TO GUINEA.
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